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Senator Bill Bradley

New Community example of Bradley's urban rebuilding program

by Jan M. Edgerton-Johnson

New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley unveiled, last week, a comprehensive package of proposals aimed at rebuilding America's cities through already-existing community based programs.

The Senator used Newark's New Community Corporation as an example of the type of program that has not only worked, but should be adopted on a broader scope to help other communities. The adaptation and expansion of programs that are now working in communities nationally is the foundation for Senator Bradley's urban revitalization package.

"I plan to propose an urban package that will tap into the best of America's urban communities and begin rebuilding and reengineering city neighborhoods across this country," he asserted.

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Highway Commissioner urges statewide campaign

WOODBRIDGE — A statewide letter-writing campaign has been conducted since last June to persuade Governor Florio to appoint an African-American woman to fill the next available commission on the New Jersey Highway Authority in June 1993.

Highway Authority Commissioner Julian Robinson said this lobbying effort was prompted by the fact that, during a 20-year history, the Authority, which manages the Garden State Parkway and Garden State Arts Center, had only one African-American commissioner (himself), only two women and no Hispanics.

Robinson said that "such statistics clearly explain and underscore the insidious level of ingrained institutional racism that governs many Authority decisions, particularly affecting appointments, promotions and vendor selection."

He listed some recent incidents of blatant racism that have occurred within the Authority:

1) displaced State Police detectives to search the home of an African-American maintenance staff member on only the strength of a totally anonymous and thoroughly scurrilous written allegation;

2) revised the job description of an African-American

female payroll clerk (after she suffered a stroke) to include an additional requirement of being able to lift twenty pounds;

3) concocted trumped-up harassment charges against five Legacy members in an attempt to discredit them for daring to challenge the Authority's weak and misleading affirmative action program and report; and

4) attempted to deprive these same five employees of their basic Constitutional rights to freedom of speech.

Beginning with a letter of last June 19 (Emancipation Proclamation Day), Robinson wrote five times to approximately 140 civic and political leaders — including the state's 12-member Legislative Black Caucus, both U.S. Senators, and 40 New Jersey NAACP branch presidents — throughout New Jersey asking them to write to Governor Florio requesting that he appoint a black woman to the next five-year term which will become vacant on the Highway Authority in June of this year.

"To date," Commissioner Robinson said, "we know that twenty-six letters have been sent to the Governor. Included among them are several from elected officials, four from NAACP branch presidents, and one from an

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President Clinton seeks black publishers' support*White House briefing, headquarters grand opening highlight Black Press Week*

by Jan M. Edgerton-Johnson

Bob Rubin, President Bill Clinton's economic advisor, was almost finished with his pitch for the administration's new economic plan when the President and Vice-president Al Gore entered the room where more than 30 black publishers had assembled to meet and talk with them.

The occasion was the celebration of Black Press Week and the White House visit was part of the grand opening ceremony of the new headquarters for the National Newspaper Publisher's Association (NNPA) with special guest, DC Mayor Sharon Pratt-Kelly; a Friday luncheon attended by the likes Dorothy Height, Jesse Jackson and guest speaker Ron Brown, secretary of Commerce.

In spite of the political power packed festivities, publishers discussed and measured the merit of President Clinton's actions on the economy, jobs, health and the Haitian program.

Vice-President Gore congratulated the NNPA for cutting the ribbon on their new headquarters. "This is an auspicious week...the nation's first black newspaper, 'Freedom's Journal,' chartered the course

papers have followed through decades preaching the twin self-help doctrine of education and job training exhorting their readers to prime their children while young for industry," he said and then added jokingly, "There must have been a democrat in office."

"The NNPA continues to push for education and job training in the communities that you serve," the Vice-president continued. "Today black newspapers help to shape national policy. Today, black newspapers help to elect a president."

Gore concluded by asking for the assistance of the publishers of the national plan, before Congress.

Following the Vice-president's brief remarks, President Clinton welcomed the group. He thanked the publishers for their support during the campaign and then began his appeal for his economic plan. He told his audience that his administration would do what it had done before — increase investment in jobs, education and health care and reduce the government deficit at the same time.

He said that since his election, interest rates have dropped tremendously, so people have an opportunity to refinance their loans at lower interest rates. The President described his

plan of spending cuts, tax increases and tax investments as one that is "fair" and "will grow the economy."

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United States can do it...We should use our national muscle under the umbrella of the United Nations and the Organization of American States to restore the will of the people...I think we can do that."

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EDITORIAL

Keeping the Watch

Last week in a meeting with President Bill Clinton and Vice-President Al Gore, Mr. Gore reiterated to the black publishers that Freedom's Journal chartered the course that is still followed today.

African Americans played a significant role in the election of the president. Consequently we see a President who is concerned about diversity. We also see African Americans participating in the building of national policy.

With it is easy to assume that progress just started. Many of us remember the days of the 60s. We remember the outreach of the government and others to include African Americans. However, we did not hold the memories of what we were willing to do. We forgot about Birmingham, Little Rock, Chicago, Watts, Harlan. We allowed ourselves to believe "the hype" that somehow African Americans had arrived because a few of us got to look through the crack in the wall. Most unfortunately, we did not pass on what the struggle was about to our children. While we have celebrated Black History year after year, we have failed to celebrate and prepare for a Black future that requires our children to be ever vigilant in their desire to seek justice and economic access.

During the euphoria with integration, we nearly forgot about the importance of an old friend, and a trumpet in the struggle of Black people—The Black Press.

With more than 25% of black males being incarcerated, with astronomical school dropout rates, with the high rate of homelessness, high rate of unemployment, drug abuse, murders and rapes, the Black Press is needed more than ever.

With our communities blased and rocked by the scourge of high unemployment and poverty, too often we are blazed for our reaction to the problems by the major media while the factors that create the problem are ignored. It is the Black Press that has focused attention on the causes of the problem rather than the reaction to the problem. On a weekly basis in countless communities throughout our country images of struggle, hope, achievement and worth are reflected on the pages of the Black Press. Today the Black Press remains ever vigilant trumpeting the song of a people fighting to overcome injustice, telling the stories of struggle and victory.

City News Publishing Company is proud to be a part of the great legacy of the Black Press. We appreciate the many individuals, organizations, agencies and advertisers who help us to serve our community and carry on the watch.

We would proudly restate those faithful words of John Russwurm: "We wish to plead our own cause. Too long have others spoken for us." Freedom's Journal 1827

Bill A-1855: The battle against lead poisoning continues

Dear Editor:

On March 1, the General Assembly failed to pass a bill that is of great concern to families throughout our state.

The bill (A-1855), which I sponsor, would prohibit the retail sale of lead solder for use in plumbing. It also requires the labeling of lead solder or flux offered for sale to advise the purchaser that solder or flux containing lead cannot be used in plumbing.

I introduced this bill to expand upon what the federal government is already doing to stop lead contamination of our drinking water. While the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has moved to abate lead pipes and solder in drinking water systems by working with water supply authorities and licensed plumbers, it has not attempted to deal with do-it-yourself projects or very common do-it-yourselfers regarding the bill. This bill would fill that void.

What was alarming about the defeat of A-1855 was the widespread Republican opposition to the bill. Thirty-five Republican lawmakers failed to vote either way on this bill, and another eight voted in the negative. Even though thousands of New Jersey children are at risk from lead in the environment, Republican lawmakers apparently feel that it isn't worth their time or effort to ameliorate the situation.

More alarming is the fact that Republicans are blocking other bills that attempt to eradicate the lead threat to our children.

My hope is that you will inform your readers about the vote of their elected representatives and encourage these readers to contact their legislators. It is a sad day in New Jersey when lawmakers cannot respond to real threats to our children and our environment.

Assemblyman Bob Smith
(Democrat, District 17)

Quote of the Week

"The problems of urban America aren't going to be solved by federal programs. But they won't be addressed without federal help. It is our responsibility as a society to make it possible for people to help themselves; and that's what this initiative does..."

—New Jersey Senator Bill Bradley



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OPINION

Honoring the Black Press

by William Reed

WASHINGTON, D.C.—From the President of the United States to local city and county councils across the country, America's Black Press is being recognized during the third week of March for its ongoing voice for freedom.

America's first black-oriented newspaper was called "Freedom's Journal," and was first published on March 16, 1827, by John Russwurm and Samuel Cornish in New York City. The newspaper was to speak out against the existence of slavery and the overall condition of blacks in the American society of that period. One hundred sixty-six years later, it is still a voice that speaks for blacks and their condition in America.

From March 18th to the 20th, President Clinton, members of his administration, the Congress, the Black Caucus and members of the majority media will help America's 210 black publishers honor the role that the Black Press has played in American life.

According to Morehouse College's "Maroon Tiger" publication, a collegiate journalist society, Delta Phi Delta, launched National Negro Newspaper Week in 1939 "to familiarize America with the accomplishments and possibilities of the Negro press—its history." Since that time, the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) has

taken up the "torch of freedom" banner each year to assure that a proper commemoration is held to honor America's first black publishers and the courageous pioneers of print who followed in the footsteps of Russwurm and Cornish.

"Black Press Week is when we honor and ask the public to take note of the outstanding works that black publishers did to create a better life for Black Americans," said Robert W. Bogle, president of the NNPA.

"It is our responsibility to let black youth, and the world, know that strong voices in history, such as W.E.B. DuBois, Marcus Garvey and Frederick Douglass, were publishers who used their presses to make a mighty impression on the world. We must always acknowledge the crusading editors who challenged the status quo, and we must illustrate that until racism is gone from the face of the planet we must send news editors to combat it," stated Bogle.

The 210 members of the NNPA, call themselves the Black Press of America, claim a role of community involvement and outreach among blacks that general community publications can not.

"We print the good news of blacks and paint a different picture of this community than the white dailies," says Frances Murphy, publisher of the 101-year-old "Washington Afro-American" newspaper. "Where else can our people go to find compre-

hensive listings of who was born, who was married, and the good works being done every day by our concerned and involved community groups. If you only read the (white-owned) daily papers in the nation's cities, you'd get a totally different picture of African American society, one that is misleading to say the least," stated Murphy.

Each year, a focal point of Black Press Week is the enshrinement of editors and publishers who are deceased. In addition to White House visitations, congressional briefings, and the opening of their headquarters facility in Washington, the NNPA will honor Mildred D. Brown, former publisher of the "Omaha Star," who passed in 1989. The Moonland-Springs Research Center at Howard University is a joint partner with the NNPA in the Black Press Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame will honor the original copies of "Freedom's Journal."

"What Americans of every color and stripe need to know is the profound influence of black publishers who, over the years, and at times under great personal risk, contributed to the gradual dismantling of social, economic, and political barriers instituted against black people solely on the basis of their race," said Dr. Fred H. Black, director of the NNPA Foundation. Dr. Black is head of the group's fundraising and outreach efforts to educate black youth about opportunities in journalism.

Health to America

Commentary by Carolyn L. Bennett, Ph.D.

We may not reasonably expect to be expected to labor for the wealth and comfort of others but, if we are to be a nation that is truly strong, we must labor for the physical, economic and social health of all people.

It is my hope that the new faces I see in the good people of the United States of America, in Washington, laboring with the good people of the United States of America, will ring in a new Administration with an attitude toward health—a attitude that environs it and works actively toward it in government first, and, always, in the lives of the American people.

I believe that when the Constitution of the United States of America was formed for the general welfare of the country and its people, it is not talking about managing sickness or managing crises or consideration for the importance of attitude and its impact on what we do, our values and what we stand for, or how attitude and what we value impact the welfare of our country. When the founders drafted the Constitution they forced themselves time and again to see consequences that would be wrought by their words hundreds of years in the future. The time would come, the founders knew, when all Americans would vie for the right to live in a society where we could enjoy today so there had to be some elasticity and strong cement in the document—for the health of the country depended upon the health of the people and the health

of the people depended upon the health (stability, solidarity) of the country.

We want our country to be a healthy country, sonorous, women and children healthy, the major aspects of life. Health is not "coping" or the managing of disease. It is not alone the absence of disease. Health is the state of being that exists when a person feels content, fulfilled and, when necessary, in control of and satisfied with the control she (any person) exerts over major aspects of her personal life: physical, social and economic aspects of her life.

To be a healthy nation we must promote the physical, social and economic health of the people of the United States.

I believe that the new Administration must tell the drug companies, pharmaceuticals and medical organizations that they will no longer build empires on people's suffering. Stop pushing Valium and other drugs that people don't need and stop withholding (pricing out of reach) drugs that people such as AIDS, heart and cancer patients desperately need. Tell the insurance companies they will work only in the field in which they are trained. They will provide necessary services at rates that are affordable to all Americans. Assure that all business practices will be monitored by Government agents who are law-abiding, disinterested, and not themselves in the take.

Government and service agencies—including health professionals, insurance and drug companies, sellers and distributors at every level must be made responsible for the wide dissemination of clear and truthful information about drugs and procedures to the public so that all persons are able to maintain the necessary controls over their physical health. Those who are disempowered. Something must be done about social and institutional environments that promote, or do nothing to relieve, mental and emotional disorder, homelessness, alcoholism, prison recidivism.

An attitude toward health in persons and in communities that is not only physically and mentally healthy, it must attend to economic health.

Health acknowledges, draws out, and respects the dignity of a human being for no other reason than that she is a human being.

Economic health, like all health, has to do with a personal feeling of being in control of one's life: in control of needs and the means of fulfilling one's needs, as well as a reasonable portion of one's desires. The United States promotes the general welfare in the area of economic health by ensuring not only that all people survive, but that they are en-

abled to live with dignity and with reasonable economic self-sufficiency. Ensuring that welfare (the dole) is not a way of life because there is clearly a more viable way of living: not through pooling for a lifetime or through inheritance, minimum wage or in factories or abuse or places where nothing experienced could ever be mistaken for fulfillment or even skill.

A nation healthy is economically in which there is continuously training and retraining and cross training; where ideas and advancement are encouraged. Economic health occurs when labor and management stop victimizing workers, then placing them with the establishment and reinforcement of mediocrity as America's standard of work—and unhappiness, underachievement and underdevelopment as the chronic condition of America's worker.

An attitude toward health requires changed attitudes in management and labor. Work must be valued and more must be expected of worker and management. The one must not be made to suffice boredom and abuse, low rank and low wages while the other, equally ineffective and incompetent, gorges itself on high wages and waste. America must not continue to be ill served by management and labor. There must be an attitude of concern for the health of the nation—the physical, economic and social health.

To be a healthy people and nation we not only need government and other sectors to look like America, we need social relations, work, health care, as well government to be counseled toward understanding what it does not understand because of limited experience. America needs working people laboring together to promote the health of America.

Dr. Carolyn L. Bennett is a writer and former educator who lives in Northern Virginia.

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Youth Calendar

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

EAST ORANGE—The following films can be seen at the Main Library at 11 a.m.: "Fernand the Bull," "Little Toot," "Dog Watch," "Double Dribble," and "Pluto's Surprise." For more information call 201-266-5600.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

NATIONWIDE—YMCA across the country will hold a national YMCA Healthy Kids Day. The day is designed with both activities for children and projects for the whole family. For more information call your local YMCA.

TUESDAY, MARCH 30

EAST ORANGE—A film, "Alvin Alley/Memories & Visions," will be presented at the Main Library at 3:45 p.m. For more information call 201-266-5600.



Arts High School student Felicia Walker poses with actor Louis Gossett, Jr. at the Sony Innovators Awards Program. Felicia was selected a grand prize winner in the Documentary/PSA category of the program.

YMCA's second nationwide 'Healthy Kids Day'

EAST ORANGE—At least half of all elementary school children are already at risk of developing heart disease because of obesity, elevated blood cholesterol, or high blood pressure, according to YMCA officials.

Only 32 percent of children ages 6 to 17 could meet the minimum standards of a test for cardiovascular endurance, flexibility, and abdominal and upper-body strength. YMCA's across the country will address this problem by holding a national YMCA Healthy Kids Day on March 27.

Kids and their families will have a chance to take part in games and fun hands-on activities that will teach valuable lessons about health, nutrition, substance abuse, and physical fitness.

Healthy Kids Day is designed with both activities for children alone and projects for the whole family. The goal

for the day is to give families an opportunity to strengthen their relationships with one another, have fun together and adopt a healthier lifestyle.

The East Orange YMCA invites youngsters to participate in its "Healthy Kids Day" celebration on March 27 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the YMCA, located at 100 N. Arlington Avenue.

For more information call 201-673-5588.

PLAINFIELD—The Plainfield Area YMCA invites youngsters 5 to 13 years of age to their "Healthy Kid's Day Fair" on March 27, from noon to 5 p.m., at the YMCA, located at 518 Wachington Avenue.

YMCA Youth Program Director Daphne Evans urges youngsters to bring bathing suits and towels so they can take part in the games in the pool and sneakers for activities in the gym.

Plaza Hotel will provide pizza, and youngsters can participate in puzzles and games as well as gym and pool activities.

For more information contact Daphne Evans at the Plainfield Area YMCA at 908-756-6060.

NEWARK—As a community service, the Newark YMCA, located at 600 Broad Street, is sponsoring a host of healthy events during Health & Fitness Month in March.

One of the events that the Y will host is Healthy Kids Day, on March 27. According to Newark Physiotherapist Dr. William T. Atkins, Healthy Kids Day will be fun, informative and educational for the whole family.

In addition to a variety of fun-filled recreational activities and exhibitions, Healthy Kids Day will provide important health screenings to the youth of the City.

For more information, call 201-624-8900.

Date set for 4-H camp

WESTFIELD—Hey kids, plan to attend Union County 4-H Camp from August 16 to 20, 1993.

4-H Camp is a sleep away camp located in Beemererville, New Jersey. The rural setting of Sussex County is the backdrop for swimming, hiking, nature studies, horseback riding, arts and crafts and other activities. Boys and girls ages 9 to 12 are welcome to attend. The cost for all meals, lodging, and round trip transportation is \$140.

Youth ages 12 to 15 may apply to attend as counselors-in-training at the same cost. Adults 16 and over can come to camp free, if they qualify to be counselors.

For more information, call the 4-H Office at 908-654-9854. Camp space is limited and is filled on a first come, first served basis.

Haitian pride



During International Week at Morristown-Beard School, Junior Veronique Bézile displayed articles from her native Haiti and spoke about the culture of her country. She is the daughter of Pierre Bézile of Newark.

YOUTH/EDUCATION/SUCCESS

Arts High students win 1993 Sony Innovators Awards

NEW YORK, N.Y.—Music group "Imani Rose" from Newark's Arts High School and film/video artists "Need to Know Productions" were named 1993 Sony Student Innovators during the Fifth Annual Sony Innovators Awards Ceremony, recently held in New York City.

The Sony Student Innovators Awards Program is a prestigious competition for African-American students who can achieve in music and film/video among school students in participating Newark and Chicago high schools. Students competed in eight categories—rap, classical, R&B, gospel,

pop and jazz music, and features, public service/documentary and animation film/video—for the chance to win industry recognition, a trip to New York City, a \$1,000 U.S. Savings Bond, a beautiful plaque and a special Sony gift.

Members of Imani Rose were recognized for their R&B performance.

The group consists of 17-year-olds Wilma Julimte, Ardith Lauro, Blundina Jean, Mariana Giles and Lekiba Newton, and 16-year-olds Younnique McDonald and Stephanie Jones.

Need to Know Productions, created by 18-year-old Felicia Walker, also from Arts High, received the Sony Innovators Award for a documentary/PSA on "Date Rape." Walker produced, directed, wrote and performed in the winning video.

"All our work and patience have finally paid off," said Lekiba Newton.

Imani Rose following the gala ceremony held during Black History Month. We thank God for bringing us this far."

"I am very proud and excited to be a Sony Student Innovator," added film/maker Walker.

Singer Nancy Wilson and actor Louis Gossett, Jr., co-hosts for the gala awards ceremony, presented Imani Rose and Need to Know Productions with their awards before an audience of business and entertainment industry leaders, musical and film artists, and media representatives. In addition to serving as co-hosts, Ms. Wilson and Mr. Gossett also were the program's distinguished 1993 Master Innovators. Annually, Sony selects two respected and distinguished entrepreneurs as Master Innovators for the Sony Innovators Awards Program because of their long-



Arts High School students and members of the group "Imani Rose," (l-r) Ardith Lauro, Mariana Giles, Stephanie Jones, Blundina Jean, Lekiba Newton, Wilma Julimte and Younnique McDonald, pose with entertainer Nancy Wilson at the Fifth Sony Innovators Awards Ceremony held recently in New York. Imani Rose was selected grand prize winner in the R&B category of the program.

standing contributions and dedication to the film/video and music art forms.

"This is an incredibly exciting program for both our student winners and Sony," said Jeffrey Brooks, senior vice president of Corporate Advertising.

"We hope that this award is a significant boost for students aspiring to a career in music or film/video...Sony is proud to have played a role in the winners' development as artists."

The Fifth Sony Innovators Awards Ceremony was held on February 22 at Alice Tully Hall in Lincoln Center, and featured performances by Ms. Wilson and singer/dancer Milton Craig Neely of the award-winning Broadway play "Five Guys Named Moe."

Contestants are asked to submit a photograph of the family duo, along with each member's age, height, weight, community service, activities, talents, and a small statement on the importance of the relationship.

Finalists will be selected on May 31

Annual mother/daughter, father/son contest

NEWARK—Heaven and Earth Productions announces its annual mother/daughter, father/son contest.

Winners will receive over \$2,000 in cash and prizes.

Contestants are asked to submit a

photograph of the family duo, along

with each member's age, height,

weight, community service, activi-

ties, talents, and a small statement on

the importance of the relationship.

and invited to participate in a show that will display their likeness and talent.

To enter information and a \$20 entry fee to: Heaven and Earth Productions, 2 Federal Square, Box 854, Newark, NJ 07101-0854. Attn: Contest. Interested persons may also call 201-624-2723, after 3 p.m.

Anyone, except employees of Heaven and Earth Productions and their families, may enter.

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NOW thru MARCH 29

SUMMIT—The Concord singers need male voices for a chorus and soloists to rehearse for a spring performance at 7:30 p.m. at St. John's Lutheran Church. No auditions are necessary, except for solos. For more information call 908-273-3877.

NOW thru MARCH 31

NEWARK—Trinity and St. Peter's Cathedral will observe the season of Lent with a series of programs to be held every Wednesday at the cathedral. For more information call 201-622-3595.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

NEWARK—A public forum focusing on the types of services to be provided by a Teen Service Center at St. James A.M.E. Church at 6 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

EAST ORANGE—A Community Health Fair will administer free Blood Pressure and Glucose screenings and provide information on AIDS Awareness, Cancer, Dental Care, Diabetes, Red Cross and Disaster Preparedness Planning at Mt. Olive Baptist Church, 11 Ashland Ave. from 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

THURSDAY, APRIL 1

PLAINFIELD—The Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey will conduct a sale of excellent condition, used maternity and children's spring and summer clothing for 3 days at the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church from 9:30 a.m.-2 p.m. For more information call 908-561-1751.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23

NEW YORK—A mixed-media concert to benefit "God's Love We Deliver" will feature blues pop singer Robert Leach and video artist Chris von Bonge at Wings Theatre, 154 Christopher St. For info call 718-788-4951.

Essex County Birthright opens satellite office in Newark

NEWARK—Birthright of Essex County, an emergency pregnancy service, is proud to announce the opening of a satellite office in Newark at the Hotel Riviera, 169 Clinton Avenue.

The office, which opened on January 18, is located on the 8th floor of the Hotel. The Newark Birthright office hours are Monday and Friday, 1-3 p.m. The office can be reached by calling 201-643-0838 or 800-848-LOVE.

Birthright of Essex County has been serving women who find themselves unexpectedly pregnant since 1971. Since then, over 18,000 women from Essex and Union counties have been provided with some form of support, ranging from shelter to maternity clothes, free pregnancy tests and doctor referrals.

Birthright is staffed by trained volunteers and operates on financial donations by individuals and organizations. Birthright is independent, nonpolitical, nonsectarian and helps women regardless of marital status, age, race or religion. All services are free and confidential.

If you would like to know more about Birthright or would like to volunteer your time, please call 201-743-2061, Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

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Plainfield Health Center makes plans for 'Building a Healthier Tomorrow'

PLAINFIELD—Plainfield Health Center, the community-based, primary healthcare facility, both the launch of its first capital campaign and the acquisition of land for construction of a new health facility.

"The capital campaign will provide the Center with the funds required to meet the community's increasing demand for quality, accessible and affordable healthcare," state Juliane Miller, Executive Director for the Center.

Building a Healthier Tomorrow, the theme

for the capital campaign, will raise \$6 million over the next four years through federal and municipal funding, donations, private foundations and foundations and contributions from community members. Funds from the campaign will be used to build and equip a more than 32,000 square foot, state-of-the-art health care facility, which will consolidate all of the Center's services under one roof.

The National Starch and Chemical Company, headquartered in Bridgewater, has offered the Center three to four acres of land for its new site. The proposed site for the new

facility is at the intersection of Rock and Myrtle Avenues in Plainfield, making it centrally located with easy access for the surrounding communities.

Currently, Plainfield Health Center provides services at two locations—the main site on West Fourth Street and the satellite site on Park Avenue—which together offer only slightly more than 10,000 square feet of space. In 1992, the Center, which serves as the major provider of ambulatory primary care to residents of Plainfield and the surrounding communities, handled more than 61,000 medical and

other health services visits. By the year 2000, the population of the Center's service area is expected to rise substantially and estimates indicate that the number of visits to the Center will increase dramatically.

"The financial resources generated through Building a Healthier Tomorrow will be used to expand and enhance the Center's existing services," said Ronald West, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Center. "These funds will allow us to construct a much larger, better-engineered healthcare facility, designed with state-of-the-art systems and equipment."

PPEC supports 'Freedom of Access'

NEWARK—Planned Parenthood Essex County (PPEC) joined with other Planned Parenthood affiliates nationwide to support the "Freedom of Access Act of 1993." The legislation would make it a federal offense to prevent or discourage a person from obtaining reproductive health services by intentionally and physically obstructing that person's free passage in and out of the clinic.

To preclude such tragedies in the future, PPEC feels that it is important to support Congress to pass HR 795, the "Freedom of Access to Clinics Act of 1993." The legislation would make it a federal offense to prevent or discourage a person from obtaining reproductive health services by intentionally and physically obstructing that person's free passage in and out of the clinic.

Anyone not abiding by this rule could be issued a fine and face up to one year in prison for a first offense and up to five years for repeat offenders. Also, civil suits against offenders may be brought by patients, medical staff, medical facilities, and owners of the buildings for damages of pain, suffering and emotional distress.

According to PPEC, this tragedy

is the most obscene act yet in a continually escalating war of terror and intimidation directed at reproductive health clinics throughout the country. They say the death of Dr. David Gunn on March 12.

In a heinous act of murder, Dr.

Partnership Against Illiteracy announces info center

NEWARK—A "Literacy Hotline" that will provide information on all literacy programs in the greater Newark/Essex County area was announced this week by the Partnership Against Illiteracy. The telephone number for the service is 201-622-READ (7323).

The Literacy Information Center was "created to help provide one stop information for all those seeking information on literacy programs," said Samuel M. Convisor, President of the Partnership Against Illiteracy. "With the growing numbers of organizations and agencies now providing literacy services it is important that those seeking assistance be helped through a single information source."

Convisor said that the Center will research and collect data from as many literacy provider agencies as possible and make that information available to callers. The Center will also provide assistance to those who call wishing to volunteer in literacy programs.

The Literacy Information Center is funded in part through a grant from the Prudential Foundation. "We are most appreciative of their support and recognition of this need in the community," said Convisor.

Those interested in the literacy programs and wish more information on the programs in the Essex County area should call the Literacy Information Hotline at 201-622-READ.

Preliminary tests of contaminant cleanup system at Ironbound pool site encouraging

NEWARK—Initial findings of tests being conducted at the site of a proposed ironbound recreation center to clean up contaminated groundwater are "encouraging," Newark Engineering Director Alvin L. Zach said.

The tests are being monitored by the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy (NDEPE) and are pilot studies of a system designed to recover heavier-than-water contaminants that are present beneath the site of the planned ironbound pool.

"If the test system demonstrates that the contaminants can be moved effectively and safely, the documents will go to construction of the pool," Zach said.

According to Zach, the test will continue 24 hours a day for several months, and the NDEPE will then evaluate the test system, and the City will make any necessary adjustments to the final design and begin construction of the pool.

"The nature of the contamination at this site is very complex and the techniques we are testing to

clean up the site represent the cutting edge of science

and technology," Zach explained. "In fact, the NDEPE is closely watching these tests to see whether our cleanup approach might work at other sites in New Jersey."

Zach said the pool's original plans have been completely revised to make it an above-ground indoor pool.

The test system was designed by the City of Newark environmental consultant, Dredger Robin Environmental Management, Inc., and was paid for by the Hoehst Celanese Corporation.

Newark supports National Office Paper Recycling Project

NEWARK—Mayor Sharpe James has announced that the City of Newark has joined 150 companies from across the nation to support the National Office Paper Recycling Project's Challenge to triple office paper recycling by 1995.

A partnership of twelve corporations and four local government associations, the National Office Paper Recycling Project has asked employers to establish aggressive waste paper recycling programs and to close the recycling loop by purchasing recycled paper products whenever possible.

According to Newark Engineer-

ing Director Alvin L. Zach, the City of Newark has passed ordinances requiring that frozen and other ozone-depleting chemicals be recycled that retail food establishments use only recyclable packaging and that City agencies purchase only recycled products whenever possible.

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For more information about the Challenge, contact the National Office Paper Recycling Project c/o The United States Conference of Mayors, 1620 Eye Street NW, Washington, D.C. 20006, or call the Challenge program, 202-223-3089.

'Food First Sunday' at Crescent Ave. Presbyterian Church

PLAINFIELD—As many as 30 to 40 hungry people show up each weekday morning at Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church for emergency food. Men and women of all ages, and children are included.

The number seeking help has increased during the coldest days this winter. Small bags containing single servings of food—meat, juice, cereal, fruit, crackers—that can be eaten without further preparation, are given out.

The increased needs have so taxed the Emergency Food Pantry that the church has established first Sunday of every month as "Food Sunday." The church has asked members and friends to bring food to church on those days.

Friends in the community who wish to help may bring single servings (self-opening) cans of meat, fruit, soups, juice, ravioli, spaghetti, lasagna, cereal, juice, raisins, and individual packages of crackers and cheese or peanut butter, cookies, and instant noodle meals, to the church on Food Sunday.

Friends shopping for this type of food may be difficult for some, contributions for their purchase are also welcome.

The Rev. William R. Harvey, pastor of Crescent Avenue Church, said, "The church is open for emergency food bags from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays, as long as there are supplies in the pantry."

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authorizes \$200 million in matching funds for local law enforcement and community groups to support community policing activities in economically distressed central cities.

Assets for Independence Act of 1993 authorizes up to \$200 million of individual development accounts to help match money saved by poor people in accounts designated for home purchase, a very small business, education, or retirement.

Mobility for Work Act of 1993 authorizes \$15 million in grants to local governments, non-profits or transit agencies to help disadvantaged urban workers get to and from their jobs where available.

15-Month House—authorizes up to \$250 million to establish residential programs for low-income and young mothers during the most important fifteen months for a child. The program provides the mother with health and substance abuse screening or treatment and education in parenting.

Community Schools—authorizes \$15 million to open public schools after hours and on weekends for programs that community groups develop for young people.

This initiative gives these local programs a national test, so we can see what works and what doesn't. The cost of the program is \$1.44 billion per year—slightly less than the cost of 15 days of noting in each central Los Angeles high April 1. Sen. Tom Harkin, this week the administration said we had no choice but to spend \$45 billion more dollars to clean up the S&L's. Do we have any less choice in our cities, for \$43.3 billion dollars fewer?"

Commissioners should look like America too

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international union president."

Since the letter writing campaign began, an anonymous flyer— which Robinson said is typical of the kind of intimidation and racism which is encountered regularly by black employees of the Highway Authority—was posted throughout the Woodbridge headquarters of the New Jersey Highway Authority as well as at toll plazas and maintenance yards along the Garden State Parkway.

The flyers read: "NON-LEGACY MEMBERS PROTEST YOUR rights in the workplace. Organize IVORY, "In-

suring the Value of Our Rights Yearly." The Parkway Family is no more!!!! Display a WHITER BOARD to show your support and vote UNION."

"Legacy," the Highway Authority's minority employees' orga-

nization, was formed in 1992 as a direct result of the social ferment at the Authority over the past few years. According to Robinson, Legacy "represents the potential to effect some significant positive change in an agency for which such change is at least 20 years overdue."

Robinson urges everyone to write to the governor. He said that he and the

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Billboard

NOW THRU MARCH

NEWARK—A traveling photographic exhibit, "The African American Presence in Medicine, 1850-1920," will open at the UMDNJ George F. Smith Library of the Health Sciences, 12th Avenue. The library is open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily.

NOW THRU MARCH 28

NEW YORK CITY—The Dance Theater of Harlem will perform at Lincoln Center. For ticket information call 212-870-9570.

NOW THRU MARCH 31

EDISON—A collection of prints, photographs, and sculptures entitled "Beauties, Bodies, And All That Jazz" will be on display at the Twin Tower-Metro Park. For more information call 908-254-7611.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

NEW YORK CITY—"The Song of Jacob Zulu" by Tug Yeragru, a young South African, will arrive in New York during the Ladybird Black Mamabazo, will open at The Plymouth Theatre. The play is based on a true story of a young black South African who sought his love of family and faith and his thirst for freedom at any cost.

SATURDAY, MARCH 27

WESTSBURY, NY—"The Spring of Love Songs" concert series will present The Dells, Jerry Butler and The Impressions at Westbury Music Fair at 8:00 p.m. Tickets are \$25. For tickets or information call 516-334-0900.

MONDAY, MARCH 29

NEW YORK CITY—"Performers and Spectators" a paintings exhibit by Jessica Dayal Winer will open with a reception from 6 to 9 p.m. at Art Insights Galleria, 161 W. 72nd St. For more information call 212-724-3715.

BROOKLYN, NYC—The New York premiere of "Drastic Cube" will be held at the Majestic Theater, 651 Fulton St. For more information call 718-797-2099.

MONDAY, MARCH 29

HARLEM, NY—Abby Lincoln and her male quintet, Straight Ahead will perform at The Langston Hughes Auditorium of the Schomburg Center at 7:00 p.m. For tickets call 212-491-2206.

NOW THRU APRIL 8

EASTHANOVER—"Maximum Impact," an exhibit of large-scale art work by over 40 members of Salute to Women in the Arts, will be on display at the Nabisco Gallery. It's free to the public and open from noon to 5 p.m.

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CITY LIFE**African Heritage Movie Network launched***Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee host the 'Movie of the Month' series*

NEW YORK—A dynamic new company is about to launch an exciting era of innovative television programming by and for African-Americans.

The African Heritage Movie Network (AHN) quietly made history last month when it successfully created and began broadcasting its "Movie of the Month" series, the first ever feature film package for television with an all African-American focus.

The series is hosted by television, stage and movie stars Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee, who will discuss, analyze and provide background information on the movies and performers throughout the broadcast.

"We're going to present the best of African-American actors, producers, writers and stars in the 'Movie of the Month' series," says Davis in the debut segment.

"And we're excited about it," adds Dee.

"Of all the various art forms," explains Davis, "film is the most exciting and expressive. African-Americans have and will continue to play a vital role in the presentation of this vital art form."

Davis and Dee are considered one of the entertainment industry's most well-known and enduring couples. Their film careers collectively have spanned four decades, from times when there were significant roles for African Americans to the current renaissance in African-American film making.

AHN's debut movie, "The Final Comedown," was broadcast by over 70 stations across the country. Now, with the 1954 film classic about the Harlem Globetrotters, "Go, Man, Go," airing on AHN's rapidly-growing affiliate station network, the company is ready to propel itself into territory no others in the industry have charted before.

Company founder Frank Mercado-Valdes, one of the most successful and innovative young pro-

ducers in the industry, established AHN to highlight and promote the history and culture of African-American cinema.

Mercado-Valdes, who also created the syndicated television sensation "S.T.O.M.P.!"—a national step show competition between African

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AHN is already negotiating with some of the top names in the industry for the rights to produce first run movies from original scripts. One of the company's goals is to go into production on a made-for-television feature film by mid-1994 that will feature the best of African-American acting and filmmaking talent.



Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis

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"AHN will become a primary outlet for African-American film making talents both on and off the screen," says Mercado-Valdes. "One of our primary goals is to focus on the achievements and contributions of African-Americans in this industry."

"The 'Movie of the Month' series is the vehicle that will allow us to do that," Mercado-Valdes explains. "We're going to educate and enlighten, as well as entertain. And we're especially excited to have Ossie Davis and Ruby Dee, who are movie legends themselves, hosting the series."

The "Movie of the Month" series is comprised of a carefully selected cross-section of films intended to show the tremendous variety of movies African-Americans that were made by African-Americans since moviemaking began.

Featured in the 1993 line-up are such films as the classic "Carmen Jones," popular modern films such as the five-time-Oscar-nominated "Lady Sings the Blues," the Academy Award-winning "Shaft," and the comedy hit "Adios Amigos." The list of stars featured includes Sidney Poitier, Billy Dee Williams, Richard Pryor, Diana Ross, Harry Belafonte, and Dorothy Dandridge.

Mercado-Valdes believes that it is the diversity of the movies and stars in the line-up that gives the "Movie of the Month" series its strength.

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 24

WAYNE—The Multicultural Imperative Program, Teachers for the 21st Century—a continuing education multicultural education in the schools, featuring Dr. Mofle Koti Asante, will be held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Student Center Auditorium at Wayne Community College. All New Jersey teachers are invited. Costs are \$30. The day will include workshops and lunch.

THURSDAY, MARCH 25

TRENTON—Mercer County Community College's Small Business Development Center will hold a workshop entitled "Thinking About Going Into Business Pre-Planning." It will cover financing factors such as establishing a legal structure, accounting and bookkeeping strategies, insurance considerations, basic marketing, advertising, and marketing. Pre-registration is required; cost is \$60. 888-9446. The day will include workshops and lunch.

Businesses must pitch in to win war against drugs

Commentary by Donald L. McCambridge, SPHR

had experience with illegal drugs; 44 percent in the year previous to employment.

And who is this on-the-job drug user? He or she is:

• 2.2 times more likely to request early dismissal or time off.

• 2.5 times more likely to have absences of eight days or more.

• 3 times more likely to be late for work.

• 3.6 times more likely to be injured or injure another person in the workplace.

• 3 times more likely to be involved in an off-the-job accident.

• 5 times more likely to file a workers' compensation claim.

According to which factors you include, the cost of drug abuse to the business community can be as high as \$150 billion per year. That's ten times the yearly budget for the state's office of New Jersey. And drug abuse, of course, is also driving up the cost of healthcare — both in the health

insurance and workers' compensation areas — a factor that is seriously impacting every business's balance sheet and creating a national crisis.

These figures can give us an idea of the extent of the drug problem in New Jersey's workplaces, but it is only an idea. No comprehensive studies have been done for some time. But that is one of the goals of The Governor's Council for a Drug Free Workplace.

The Council, which was formed last year by the New Jersey State Chamber of Commerce thanks to a \$500,000 grant from the state Department of Health, is a public-private partnership committed to eliminating drug abuse in the state's factories and offices. New Jersey was selected as one of only thirteen "targeted units" throughout the country to develop such a program. Eventually, there will be an expansion of the effort nationwide based upon the program's successes as tested in these

thirteen units:

The goals of the Governor's Council are simple and direct:

- To collect and analyze — for the first time — data, policies and procedures related to drug use in New Jersey workplaces and the need for anti-drug programs for small-to-mid-sized businesses.

- To build support for the program among the New Jersey business community to encourage them to share their policies, programs and resources with smaller businesses as well as business associations.

- To encourage every business in New Jersey to institute a written drug policy, employee education and awareness programs, management and supervisory training programs, an employee assistance program, and drug-testing programs.

- To provide guidance on the legality and economic feasibility of all phases of a drug-free workplace program.

This sort of effort has never been

attempted before on such a scale in New Jersey. The ultimate goal of the Council is to have every business in the state — whatever the size — involved in some aspect of a drug-free workplace program.

Over the next week and months, the Council will be reaching out to all New Jersey businesses through local chambers of commerce as well as associations to ask for their support and their commitment to this effort. We'll be developing resource materials as well as a "support network" for those businesses to plug into.

Simply enumerating these goals is easy. Achieving them will take every measure of energy and commitment we can muster — not only from state government, but from every business owner and employee as well.

Donald L. McCambridge, SPHR, is secretary and executive director of The Governor's Council for a Drug Free Workplace, Inc.

Chamber invites Japanese to seminar

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"I'd definitely have to say that the fact that the seminar was geared to meeting Japanese business was why I attended, but quite frankly I really didn't

expect many of them to come," explained JoAnne Kent, owner of Diamine, which markets nutritional products.

"But I also wanted to meet other African-Americans and I did, so I don't consider the time a waste."

Five tips to help market your business to the Japanese

Information, information, information.

That's what Wilbert Murdock, president of Motiontronics For Science Inc., a New York biengineering firm, says that African-American entrepreneurs need to have in order to market to Japanese managers.

"African-Americans have to study the Japanese. They have to do their homework before they approach them if they are going to be successful," explains Murdock, just back from a trip to Japan.

Murdock, fresh from a two-

week visit to Japan, says it took nearly a year to close a lucrative deal he and his partners negotiated with Japanese electronics giant Matsushita.

1) Before you rush to send out sales letters, realize Japanese business practices differ sharply from American methods.

2) Begin by writing down everything you know about the Japanese companies you'd like to do business with. Then draft questions on any missing links.

3) Try and communicate in your prospective Japanese client's

native language. Seek out Japanese friends or neighbors or students studying at a local university to help learn basic greetings and business jargon. Translate personal sales letter into Japanese.

4) Locate Japanese non-profit organizations and/or American consulting firms with good track records who help entrepreneurs market to the Japanese.

5) Review your strategy and make sure you're totally prepared.

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Bids must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name of Bidder and marked "Bids for Lead Based Paint Testing."

The bid documents may be examined and obtained at the office of the Housing Authority at Administration Building, Long Branch, NJ and copies obtained from the Authority's office on weekdays, between 9:00 am and 4:00 pm commencing March 15, 1993.

A pre-bid inspection of the complex by interested contractors is tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on March 24, 1993. Arrangements for same to be made through the office of the Housing Authority at 908-222-2747.

The Housing Authority reserves the right to waive any Informalities or to reject any or all bids.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975 Chapter 127 (Affirmative Action); P.L. 1977 Chapter 39 (Procurement).

No bidder may withdraw his bid within 60 days after the actual date of the offering thereof.

DAVID BROWN

ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Housing Authority of the Town of Morristown (hereinafter called the "Authority"), in the County of Morris, State of New Jersey, at the Office of the Authority located at 31 East Street, Morristown, New Jersey, on Monday, March 29, 1993 at 11:00 a.m., prevailing time. All bids will be opened publicly at 12:00 noon. The project is ANTI-SPECIFICATION AND GROUND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM, PHASE I, a single complete contract. The Authority reserves the right to waive any Informalities in bids and to reject any and all bids if it is in the best interest of the Authority to do so.

Bids will be accompanied by a certified check or Bid Bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid, not to exceed \$20,000.00.

The Contract Document are on file and may be examined at the Administrative Offices of the Authority. Copies of the Contract Documents and Specification Prints may also be obtained at the office upon deposit of a certified check or bank draft in the amount of \$20,000.00 payable to the "Morristown Housing Authority" for each set. Such deposit is to cover the cost of Specification Prints and is non-refundable.

The individual bidder will be required to furnish an acceptable performance and Labor and Material Payment Bond to the Authority in the full amount of the Contract in such form as the Authority may prescribe and with such Sureties as they may approve.

All bidders must be authorized to do business in New Jersey. Any bidder who is a resident or otherwise chartered under the laws of the State of New Jersey must submit an affidavit certifying that said corporation is authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey.

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PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE
You are hereby notified that Chairman Charles F. Pocell has called a Special Meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of Plainfield for Wednesday, March 31, 1993, at 5:30 p.m., in the Board Room of Richmond Towers, 510 East Front Street, Plainfield, New Jersey.

The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the budget and personnel matters.

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A-3: Sealed bids received by the Authority at the following office:

Mr. David A. Brown
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until 10:00 A.M. local time on 3/31/93. Bids received after the stated time and date will not be considered.

A-4: Copies of the request for bids may be obtained from the following:

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A-5: The Authority reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids to waive technicalities and to award the contract in the best interest of the Authority. Bids that do not meet all requirements will be considered non-responsive and eliminated from consideration.

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Sportlight

by R.L. Greene

The year was 1969. Stanford University broke off athletic relations with Brigham Young. Ten black athletes were suspended at Indiana University, at 14 in Wyoming and four in Washington.

Five blacks walked off the basketball court at Sacramento, Calif., State College. At Minnesota, a black player who fumbled a football was told by his coach to think watermelon. A black quarterback who led his Wisconsin freshman team completed his varsity career without enough playing time to get a letter.

Yet at Ohio State during this period of turmoil both on the nation's streets and college campuses, coaching legend Woody Hayes' Buckeyes, with its share of top black athletes, kept moving from one on-field problem to another.

"It's the type of player I recruit," Hayes revealed. "I'm careful about the type of person we recruit. We've passed up a lot of good football players who have come back to beat us. But I want a good athlete who's also a good person."

Today, we apparently don't have too many Woody Hayes running our nation's collegiate athletic programs. It doesn't take a genius to figure that out. Just take a look at today's sports pages, where the games at times have become sidebar to the police blotter sheet.

In just the last few months, some of the incidents appearing on the

sports pages include:

- Former Syracuse University footballer Michael Owens received a three-year conditional discharge for an alleged sexual assault on an 18-year-old woman. The sentence was part of a deal with prosecutors under which Owens pleaded guilty to a first-degree sexual abuse charge.

- In St. Louis, Fla., former Cincinnati Bengals corner back Lewis Billups was charged with fondling and raping a woman, then demanding money to keep quiet under the threat of showing a videotape of the incident to her husband and friends.

- In El Paso, Texas, New Mexico State forward Loren "Teeter" Marshall was charged with pointing a gun at an unarmed security guard during a fraternity party. The 6-foot-7 forward was shot in the thigh the same night, but claimed he didn't know who shot him. The security guard, however, said Marshall was shot while the man was attempting to dismiss the player.

- In Mesa, Ariz., former Arizona State linebacker Rayhan Smith was sentenced to four years in prison for shooting another teen-ager on the Tempe campus. Smith pleaded guilty to aggravated assault in a plea agreement which stipulated that he wouldn't be eligible for probation.

- In Long Beach, Calif., former Long Beach State basketball player pleaded guilty to rape and murder in the deaths of two young women in 1988 and 1989. Following the deaths, Williams moved to Cleveland where he played for Cleveland State before

being indicted there on a separate rape charge.

- In Metairie, La., New Orleans Saints running back Craig "Ironhead" Heyward was convicted of aggravated assault.

- In Knoxville, Tenn., boxer John Sims was placed on probation after he was convicted of cocaine possession.

In a way, we are to blame for what has happened. After all, we put them in the position they were in. We would never tell them to do it or go out and get criminals who can pass, shoot, jump or catch. But if they don't and they fail to win, the coaches are gone, replaced by someone else who can assure that our alma mater near the top of the rankings and plays for the national title every few years if not sooner.

We notice the quickness some guy used in eluding police after he broke into a parked car, and we decide that his cleverness is a skill that can be emulated on a football field. So we give him a free ride and put him on a campus filled with ivy-covered buildings and money-giving alumni, then wonder why he has to continue breaking into parked cars, especially when it's our car.

Athletics has been a way for many, many blacks to gain a college education and a way of improving their lives. Of that, there is no doubt.

But we must also come to the realization that college athletics, especially at the major level, is another form of paid entertainment being used as a means of employment for the professional leagues. That's just another reason we need to impress on our students that there are many more doctors, dentists, teachers and even CEOs in this country than there are pro athletes.

Think about it.

Senator Bradley addresses students on leadership in East Orange

EAST ORANGE—United States Senator Bill Bradley joined Mayor Carroll Cooper and students at East Orange High School last week to talk about leadership and working to make the community better. Senator Bradley's visit was the beginning of a day long program to officially kick off the "Police Community Partnership Program" between the City of East Orange and the community.

Senator Bradley spoke before approximately 200 students saying he wanted to talk with students in East Orange because it is important for them to know the standards set forth by the Mayor and school officials to make the system work for the students.

He said, "Mayor Cooper and school officials have made a deep investment to make things better in East Orange. The Mayor, in particular, is the kind of public servant East Orange and other communities need." The Senator selected Mayor Cooper to attend the National Swiss Leadership Conference in Switzerland in 1989.

Senator Bradley told the students, "You are our leaders of tomorrow, you will be responsible for leading the world by example."



East Orange Mayor Carroll Cooper (r) talks to Senator Bill Bradley (c) and Charles Campbell, member of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Committee, at East Orange High School.

He said that the nation, especially the United States must be a pluralistic society where every child, every young person gets a chance to do something positive in their life. He encouraged each young person "to do their share" to make their neighbor,

hood, East Orange and the state a better place to live.

The Police Community Partnership officially kicked off with a march from East Orange High School and a rally at Rowley Park, the site of the mini-police precinct.

Parades and festivals in Newark

NEWARK—Offices of Newark's Division of Recreation and Cultural Affairs (DORCA) have announced the 1993 schedule of parades, festivals and other events.

The schedule began with the Saint Patrick's Day Parade on Sunday, March 21. The procession traveled up Newark's South Orange Avenue past Seton Hall University to Grove Park in South Orange.

According to Celeste Bateman Mangun, DORCA cultural affairs supervisor, the complete schedule is as follows: Sunday, May 23 at 1 p.m.: African-American Heritage Day Parade

Saturday and Sunday, June 12 and 13 at 3 p.m.: Portuguese Festival Parade

Saturday and Sunday, August 14 and 15, 8 a.m.-7 p.m.: Africa Newark Cultural Festival

Saturday, September 18, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.: Newark Festival of People

Sunday, September 19 at 1 p.m.: Statewide Puerto Rican Day Parade

Sunday, October 10 at noon: St. Columbus Day Parade

Saturday, November 13 thru Saturday, November 20: Newark Jazz Festival — places and times vary.

Clinton seeks black publishers' support

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the role of minority business in urban revitalization and job creation.

"I don't think we can get enough outside investment in depressed urban areas to fund those areas unless the outside investment is in the form of financing small businesses that belong to people who either live in the community or [are] tied to the community," President Clinton.

The President mentioned bills proposed by Congressman Floyd Flake (D-N.Y.) and Congresswoman Maxine Waters (D-Cal.). The bills are being considered as he sets up a network of community development banks that will focus initially on loans for people who either live in the community and want to start businesses, or have enough ties there and are likely to stay.

President Clinton further commented, "I think that has to be a key strategy for reviving the cities. There just aren't enough manufacturers to sustain the economy." We've got to have a small business sector, or you can't get there, I don't think."

Concluding his session with both assurance that he will incorporate black health issues in his guaranteed health plan coverage, and a promise to check his schedule for another visit with publishers at their upcoming convention in Los Angeles, the President, along with the Vice President, took another moment to chat privately with publishers before leaving. Henry and Jan Johnson, were among publishers participating in the various BlackPress Week celebration activities.

IBMC Procurement Fair

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bership marketing for IMBC, said that though the Corporation started as recently as July of 1992, its membership will have grown to over a thousand by the end of summer of 1993.

"You have to be a minority- or woman-owned business," Haynes explained how one may become a member of IMBC. "You just call IMBC and we'll have a discussion. We'll tell you what our purpose is and, if you feel we meet your needs, you become a member." There is an annual membership fee.

IMBC has members throughout the United States and in Africa, Europe, Central America and South America as well.

"Wherever there are opportunities that minority- and women-owned firms can take advantage of, we want to be aware of them and to be able to get that information out to the firms," Haynes said.

Plans are already in the works for a group of seminars to explain to small, minority- and women-business owners the importance of becoming bonded and certified. IMBC also wants to organize a fair in which small, minority- and women-owned businesses can exhibit their goods and services.

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ing [about IMBC] is being able to bridge the gap between people who have a desire to start a business, but not the know-how," said Aton-Re Auser.

A user has an interest in joining the IMBC team. He attended the fair to become better acquainted with the work that they do. "The services that they offer at the IMBC is what attracted me to them."

The fair was held at City Hall as a kick off of the joining of forces between IMBC and the City of Newark.

"We need to open up City Hall and become more of a service agency to assist and help people," said Newark Mayor Sharpe James. "You're going to find us doing more and more things with our space in City Hall where we become service oriented. You're going to see more and more programs, more and more services and more services and people and potential job opportunities and there needs to be together under this umbrella at City Hall."

James said that he is planning a job fair that's going to "blow the minds" of people throughout the City.

"I'm going to find those who have the jobs and I'm going to find those who need the jobs and...we're going to make these halls sing out with pride," he said.

Some of the companies exhibiting at the fair were Alital Signal, Inc.; City News Publications, City National Bank, General Public Utilities, N.J. Transit, Prudential Assurance Company, Supermarkets General Corporation, Training, Inc. of Essex County College and U.S. Small Business Administration.

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